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SUBJECT: CENTRAL EUROPE OPERATING AGENCY (CEOA)

REF: A) USNATO 3116, B) USNATO 3825

1. RE REF A, WE INTEND TO NOMINATE CANDIDATE FOR A-4 MAINTENANCE ENGINEER POSITION. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN WE SHOULD ADVERTISE. IF YOU ARE AWARE OF LOCAL AMERICAN WHO IS WELL QUALIFIED, WE HAVE NO OBJECTION IF YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE HIM, ON A PERSONAL BASIS, TO APPLY FOR THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANT POST ON A DIRECT HIRE BASIS. IT IS OUR POLICY NOT TO GET INVOLVED IN DIRECT HIRE OF AMERICANS EXCEPT WITH REGARD TO SECURITY CLEARANCE.

2. WE HAVE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON REF B.

A. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE BEST FOR U.S. TO MINIMIZE ITS PARTICIPATON IN FUTURE DISCUSSION OF THE TIME-CLOCK
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ISSUE, WHICH DOES NOT APPEAR TO WARRANT THE ATTENTION

ALREADY DEVOTED TO IT BY THE CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE
POLICY COMMITTEE (CEPPC).

B. WE GENERALLY AGREE WITH THE CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS ON
REORGANIZATION OF THE CEOA. WE HOPE THAT A PLAN CAN
EVENTUALLY BE DEVELOPED WHICH WILL RESULT IN REAL
RATHER THAN PAPER COST REDUCTIONS, AND THAT OUR
RECENTLY SUCCESSFUL THRUST TOWARDS IMPROVED LONG TERM
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE SYSTEM
(CEPS) IS NOT ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY OUR GENUINE DESIRE
TO REDUCE CEOA OVERHEAD COSTS.

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